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APPLICATIONS NOW AVAILABLE FOR THE 2006-2007 FULBRIGHT RESEARCH SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM **APPLICATION DEADLINE: NOVEMBER 1, 2005**

The U.S. Embassy in Dushanbe announces that applications are now available for the 2006-2007 Fulbright Research Scholarship Program, which is designed to increase mutual understanding between the people of the United States of America and Tajikistan. The Fulbright Research Scholarship Program provides fellowships for one semester (four to six months), and is managed and funded by the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs of the U.S. Department of State.

Applications will be accepted in the following research fields:

Agriculture

American Studies

Anthropology Archaeology Art/Art history

Biological Sciences Business Administration

Communications/Journalism Computer Sciences

Economics

Education

Engineering

English as a Second Language

Environmental Sciences Film Studies

History (non-U.S.)

Journalism

Library Science

Information Science

Law

Mathematics Medical Sciences

Music

Philosophy Political Science **Public Administration**

Religion Studies Social work Sociology

TEFL/Applied Linguistics

Urban Planning

Eligible applicants must meet the following criteria:

- be citizens of Tajikistan;
- hold a Ph.D. or Doctoral degree;
- teach at least one course at a University;
- lack funding for research in the United States:
- be proficient in written and spoken English;
- be able to demonstrate professional attitude and leadership potential in the field of specialization:
- be able to begin research in the United States in fall 2006;
- be eligible to receive and maintain a U.S. visa.

Persons applying for or holding permanent residence in the United States are not eligible for a Fulbright Scholarship, nor are those holding dual-citizenship between the United States and Tajikistan. Fulbright Scholars enter the United States on an Exchange Visitor (J-1) visa under a Department of State program and are required to return to Tajikistan to live and work for two years following their fellowship.

The application deadline is November 1, 2005. For a full application or more information, please contact Maya Vakhobova at the U.S. Embassy in Dushanbe (10 Pavlova Street) via telephone 210348/50/52; 241560 or e-mail: VakhobovaMK@state.gov.